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RE: UNITED STATES v. JAMES LINDGREN I

Acting United States Attorney Kathleen M. Mehltretter announced today that James Lindgren I, age 55, of Jamestown, New York, pled guilty before the Honorable Richard J. Arcara, United States District Court Judge to a felony Information, charging him with one count of producing child pornography and transmitting it over the internet, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2251, which carries a minimum sentence of 15 years and a possible maximum sentence of 30 years imprisonment, a fine of \$250,000, or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Martin J. Littlefield, who handled the case, stated that the defendant admitted to sexually molesting children at his Jamestown residence while simultaneously transmitting images of his conduct over the internet.

The plea was the culmination of an investigation on the part of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Peter Ahearn and the Jamestown Police Department under the direction of Chief William MacLaughlin. Under the terms of the Plea Agreement, Mr. Lindgren will serve at least 18 years in federal prison. In addition, Mr. Lindgren has also pled guilty to sexual abuse in the first degree in New York State Supreme Court where it was agreed that any state sentence will be concurrent with the federal charges.

Sentencing is scheduled for October 3, 2005 at 12:30 p.m. in front of the Honorable Richard J. Arcara United States District Court Judge.

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